


Serial No. 09/828,330
Preliminary Amendment
Matter No. 0147-1-DIV2

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This is a division of parent application Serial No. 09/828,330. New claims 16 and 31 correspond to old claims 28 and 33, respectively which were added to the parent application by preliminary amendment dated August 8, 2001 and were subject to a restriction requirement dated June 6, 2002 in that application. Old claim 28 (as well as old claims 29 – 32 which are dependent thereon) and old claim 33 (as well as old claim 34 which is dependent thereon) were non-elected and cancelled from the parent application. New claims 17 – 23 are directly or indirectly dependent on new claim 16. New claims 32 – 35 are directly or indirectly dependent on new claim 31. New claim 16 (as well as new claims 17 – 23), new claim 24 (as well as new claims 25 – 30 which are dependent thereon and define substantially the same category of matter as new claims 16 - 23) and new claim 31 (as well as new claims 32 – 35 which are dependent thereon) have been added to provide adequate coverage for applicant's contribution.

It is submitted that claims 16 – 30 patentable define over the art of record in the parent application, and in allowable condition. Accordingly, allowance of the application is earnestly solicited.

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